

Ordinance No. 127

Concerning the Las Animas Cemetery

Be it ordained by the Board of Trustees of the incorporated town of Las Animas.

Section 1

The Mayor and Board of Trustees of the town of Las Animas shall have power and authority to acquire and establish and maintain a cemetery two miles without the corporate limits of the town to be known as the Las Animas Cemetery.

Section 2

The Board shall have power to acquire lands therefor by purchase or otherwise to cause a cemetery to be established within two miles from outer boundaries of the corporate limits of the town and the Board of Trustees may appropriate money for such purchase and maintenance of such cemetery and the amount appropriated in any one year shall not exceed one mill on the dollar of the assessed valuation of the property of the town.

Section 3

Any lands or parcels of land now owned or possessed by the town of Las Animas which may be acquired for the purpose of a cemetery without and within two miles of the corporate limits of the town may be set aside and devoted to such purpose.

Section 4

The piece of land purchased by the incorporated town of Las Animas, Colorado, from John Lee on the 11th day of September, 1793, described as follows to wit: Beginning at the corner of sections 14-15-22 and 23 Township 23 South, Range 52 West thence due east two chains and thirty links to a cedar post thence due North fourteen chains and thirty links to cedar post (it being two feet North of the north-east corner of fence endorsing present cemetery) thence due West five chains and sixty links to a cedar post (it being two feet north and five feet west of the North-west corner of fence enclosing present cemetery) Thence due south fourteen chains and thirty links to a point 3, 30-100 chains three chains and thirty links due west of corner to sections 14, 15, 22 and 23

South, Range 52 West thence due east three chains and thirty links to place of beginning. Containing eight acres in all more or less according to map of said land made by Major Geo. H. Hill, August 11th, 1893, herewith attached excepting the following lots in the present cemetery, viz: one lot for Thompson brother-in-law to DeLee; one lot for an Indian grave; one lot for Thomlins Grave, paid for by W.B. Peart; one grave of Mrs. Denny, paid by Claude Meeker, one grave for Len Winter; two graves for Martinez Brothers; one grave for Weil's Mother-in-law; one grave for Pate Jones, Jr., one grave for Jack Flinn; two graves for Fred Leager; two graves for Juan Baca, two graves for Mrs. Wilson of Las Animas; three graves for James Cassidy; and block 45 and 46 of present cemetery of forty-two lots in all, of which land was surveyed and platted which plats are on file in the office of clerk and recorder which piece of land as platted shall be used and known as the Las Animas Cemetery.

Section 5

The Board shall have the power to cultivate, fence, plant trees and otherwise improve the same and when deemed necessary to employ a person to take care of the cemetery, to excavate all graves when desired and any and all work

required of the Board of Trustees.

Section 6.

The Clerk and Recorder shall obtain and be prepared with suitable deeds for conveying lots to any persons who may desire to purchase the same. The price of a block is twenty-five dollars, of a half block is twelve and one half dollars, of one lot is three dollars and three lots is seven dollars.

Section 7.

The Clerk and Recorder shall keep a record of all transfers of lots or blocks, the date, consideration location and to whom sold; he shall also keep a record of deaths, time, name of person and where buried.

Section 8.

The County by the County Commissioners own and control for a paper burial field blocks numbered 101 and 132 inclusive which place the town has released all their right, title and interest to the said Bent County, Colorado.

Section 9

All moneys received for the site of lots in the Las Animas, Cemetery shall be immediately turned over to the Treasurer and his receipt given for the same.

Section 10

All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Section 11

This ordinance shall take effect five days after its publication in the Bent County Democrat, the official paper of the town of Las Animas.

NOTE:

Passed at a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the incorporated town of Las Animas, a majority of the whole number of the members elected to said board concurring by the following vote; Yeas: Wm. B. Peart, Wm. H. Stone, Geo. E. McCauley, T. H. Marshall, Benjamin Neher, Geo. J. Kramer, Nays: None.

April 6 1896

ATTEST:

H. J. Jacquart

Clerk and Recorder

Approved

W. H. Stone

Mayor-Pro-Tem.